PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Smith et al.

Application No.:

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For:

Mobile Zinc Cathode Stripping System

Examiner:

Donald R. Valentine

Group Art Unit:

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Commissioner for Patents

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Docket No: P68.2B-9957-US01

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136

Petitioners hereby request a one month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2003. Please charge the petition fee of \$110.00 as set forth in 37 CFR \$1.17 and any outstanding fee for extension to our Deposit Account, No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,

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